

FY 2006 RANKING CRITERIA WORKSHEET- GRAZING LANDS ARTESIA FIELD OFFICE

Applicant: _____ Farm No. _____ Tract No. _____ CMS Field No's. _____ Date: _____

Tribal Land _____ Non-Tribal Land _____ Preliminary Rating ____ Final Rating ____

1. Plants - 150 Potential Points (25-50% of Total)

Note: Instructions on separate sheet		% Area in Contract Before Treatment	% Area in Contract After Treatment.	Potential Points	Benchmark Points	After Points
Rangelands:	SI of 76-1 00 w/trend up or not apparent	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	150		
Ecological	SI of 51-75 with upward trend	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	120		
Site	SI of 51-75 with downward trend	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	80		
Similarity	SI of 26-50 with upward trend	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	100		
Index	SI of 26-50 with downward trend	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	40		
(SI)*	SI of 0-25 with upward trend	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	50		
	SI of 0-25 with downward trend	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	% _____ + _____ + _____ =	0		
Riparian:	Use Attachment 1, 2, or 3	% Quality Bench Mark: _____	% Quality After: _____	same pts as SI 76-100		
Grazed Forest:	NA	% Quality Bench Mark: _____	% Quality After: _____	same pts as SI 76-100		
1. Plants		Total	100%	Total	100%	Total:

2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 120 Potential Points (25-65% of Total)

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the conservation plan of operations must be a cost-shared practice or have an incentive payment. Higher priority (value) should be given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans. Select resource concerns from NM Quality Criteria Guide.		Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	After Points
Soil Erosion (Sheet & rill)				
362 - Diversion (10 yr 2.5 pts each)		5		
314 - Brush Management (10 yr)		5		
Water Quantity (inefficient water use on non irrigated land)				
314 - Brush Management (10 yr)		10		
Water Quality (Surface water contaminants)				
314 - Brush Management (10 yr)		10		
362 - Diversion (10 yr 2.5 pts each)		5		
378 - Pond (20 yr)		5		
Plants (Productivity, health, & vigor, and invasive plants)				
314 - Brush Management (10 yr)		10		
382 - Fence (20 yr 5 pts each)		10		
516 - Pipeline (20 yr 2.5 pts each)		5		
614 - Watering Facility (10 yr 2.5 pts each)		5		
Animals (Food, cover or shelter, water, health)				
314 - Brush Management (10 yr)		10		
382 - Fence (20 yr 5 pts each)		10		
516 - Pipeline (20 yr 2.5 pts each)		5		
614 - Watering Facility (10yr 2.5 pts each)		5		
642 - Well (20 yr)		20		
2. Conservation Practice Selection		Total:		

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3. Other Considerations - 40 Potential Points (10-25% of Total)

Items A thru D are required. If there are other criteria the D.C. wants to <u>recommend</u> based on LWG advice, please include them as item E.	Potential Points	Benchmark Points	After Points
A. At risk species habitat will be enhanced. (List the species impacted)	10	0	
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	10	0	
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active or planned sec. 309 project.	10	0	
D. The land is within a NMED designated Category I watershed.	10	0	
3. Other Considerations	Total:		

Total Points (After minus Benchmark): Section 1 _____ Section 2 _____ Section 3 _____ Total for Worksheet _____ *

***A minimum of _____ total points is required to be considered for contract selection.**

Designated Conservationist

Date

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